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L. KOSTER, Proprietor.

Arrival and Departure of Mails.

[Mail table: R. N. Y. & P. Division and Smethport branch, arrivals and departures]

Lodges Directory.

F. & A. M.

Meet in Lodge, No. 361, A. M., meets on the second and third Wednesday evenings of each month, at 7 o'clock p. m., at Masonic Hall, Main street.

H. P. BRAWLEY, W. M.
H. M. SMITH, Sec'y.

A. O. U. W.

Smethport Lodge, No. 161, meets every Thursday evening in the A. O. U. W. Hall, Buchan's Block.

J. C. GALLUP, M. W.
F. PowELL, Recorder.

G. A. R.

Post 97, G. A. R., meets every Thursday evening in the A. O. U. W. Hall, Buchan's Block.

H. L. Barlingame, Adj't.

I. O. O. F.

Meets every Saturday evening at Masonic Hall.

Chas. W. Kibbe, N. G.
W. E. Wadsworth, Sec'y.

Churches.

METHODIST.—Wm. Brierley, pastor. Preaching at 10 30 a. m. and 7 p. m. every Sunday. Sabbath School immediately after morning services. Class Meeting at 10 a. m. Sunday. Prayer Meetings on Thursday evening, at 7 o'clock. S. S. Teachers' Meetings Friday evenings at 7 o'clock. Choir Meetings on Saturday evenings at 7 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN.—T. Harris, pastor. Preaching at 10 30 a. m. and half-past 7 p. m. Sabbath School directly after morning services. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7 p. m. Covenant meetings Saturday before the first Sunday in every month. Session's Supper every communion.

Services as follows:

EPISCOPAL.—J. Hamill McCandless, Rector. Services every Sunday at 10 30 a. m. and 7 30 p. m. Additional services on Sundays, Holy Days and Thursday evenings at 7 30 p. m.

ST. ELIZABETH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Mass at 11 a.m. J. J. Lynch, pastor. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Services at 3 30 p. m. Services on each alternate Sunday at Smethport and Clermont.

Business Directory.

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Asst. Burgess—Frank Mason.
Councils—A. H. Brandenburg, Wm. Rapser, A. B. Buchan, John Brennan, W. B. Gallup, Chris. Sherer.
Secretary—H. L. Barlingame.
School Directors—Jas. Gleason, H. L. McCoy, F. W. Brennan, J. C. Gallup, E. L. Keenan, H. F. Wilcox.
Auditors—A. B. Smith, F. Frank.
Assessor—H. M. Adams, W. Z. Cooper.
Constables—J. C. Gallup, A. D. Buchan.
Judges of Elections—H. J. Gifford.
Inspectors—A. A. Bailey, H. M. Smith.
Assessor—Wesley Gifford.

Township Officers.

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Township Judges.—A. C. Olmsted, Coudersport, Potter Co.
Associate Judges.—Henry Klumpfle, Smethport; W. W. Bailey, Bradford.
Member of Congress.—W. W. Brewer, Bradford.
State Senator.—L. Kingery, Jr., Smethport.
Members of Assembly.—H. H. Rose, Smethport; Robert Allen, Bradford.
District Attorney.—E. Kosterlitz, Smethport.
Sheriff.—A. T. Benham, Smethport.
Prothonotary.—J. M. McClure, Bradford.
County Treasurer.—C. H. Webb, Bradford.
County Commissioners.—W. H. Bailey, Smethport; A. Ward, Richland; A. Bailey, Smethport.
County Auditors.—John S. Schoonmaker, Smethport; Jas. Gleason, Smethport; E. L. Clark.
Jury Commissioners.—E. P. Spencer, Thos. Osborne, O. N. Bartlett.
Coroner.—A. P. Swinton, Thos. Osborne, O. N. Bartlett.
Recorder of Deeds.—F. E. Barden, Bradford.
Register of Wills.—Robert H. Fullmer.
Commissioners' Clerk.—Chamberlain F. Smith.
Auditor's Clerk.—Wm. Kingsbury.
Mercantile Appraiser.—W. H. Barden, Bradford.
Mercantile Appraiser's Clerk.—H. C. Campbell.
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We have made arrangements to club our paper with the *Farmers Manual*, published at Albany, N. Y. This is a work of one of the finest historical magazines published. It is printed on fine book paper, is profusely illustrated, and contains all the important news from the different parts of the world. There are at present two good courses of stories running through the year, and in each number they publish from three to five pieces of the most popular nature of the day, all short in the size, and of good literary merit. At the end of the year you have twelve numbers, which when bound make a most elegant book the contents being worth about $2.00. We will send you this magazine and the MINER for $2.00 per year. It is sure to please and the offer will remain open for a short time. Remit direct to us the price of the two publications. Address MINER, Smethport, Pa.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

No Show this week.

Did you plant trees yesterday?

The corner b after is getting "round a little.

Rhodaing, Pa., has a new lire company.

The rink is now open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Two towns in England under 20,000 inhabitants can boast a daily now paper.

Don't fail to attend the exhibitions at the Opera house, next Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Court only lasted three days this week, many of the causes on the list being continued.

Pope Leo XIII is sick unto death, and has great age adds to the precariousness of his condition.

By referring to another column, it is very evident that our friend Ernest Grover is no longer playing "a lone hand."

The Condersport dramatic club has come to the road. Come over here, our theater goers can stand anything.

Entertainments are out for a dance to be given April 23d under the auspices of the Artemas club. A rip-roar is guaranteed.

The Prince of Wales pathway through Ireland is not strewn with roses, but it is possible that Ireland is dismayed.

A Sabbay girl bet fifty kisses to a new bonnet that Hanlan would win the sculling match. The gentleman is glad Beach won.

A writer in *Bradstreet's* asserts that nine in every hundred persons in Iowa do not never borrow a money, get foreclosed on a deed or stock farm.

William Donovan the young champion roller skater, died April 10th, aged about 17 years from over exertion during the recent skating contest at New York.

There are over 2,000,000 logs on Maxwell creek, and 15,000,000 on Potato creek above Buffalo Run mill, awaiting the spring flood. The Union Lumber Co. have purchased the logs on both streams.

There is a delightful little lake on Main street, near the Opera House that needs looking after. The street commissioner should either let the water off or put on a line of steamers and open a summer resort.

First Dude—Why do you hesitate about getting married, Algernon? Second Dude—Aw. Two my reasons, aw boy. F. D.—Reward you can't support a wife? S. D.—No, my boy. I'm reward she can't support me.

The inside of Rev. J. H. Farnham's shoe is a curiosity. It is twenty-two inches in length and eight in breadth. The wearer is a colored clergyman in Cadwallader, N. C. He is six feet eight inches high and weighs one hundred and forty pounds.

We have secured the services of George Osler, Esq., of Harrisburg, one of the best job printers in the state, to take charge of our jobbing department. Our business men can depend upon it that they can have as good work done at the MINER office, and at as low rates as can be done anywhere. Try us.

Some admiring friend has sent Free Silver Cleveland a crazy quilt made entirely of Cleveland and Hendricks campaign badges. This is about as close proximity to the senior member of the ticket as Mr. Hendricks seems to get nowadays.—*Peoria Transcript.*

Emporium is to be congratulated if the following statement, which appeared in the *Gazette and Bulletin* a few days since comes any where near the truth: "The classmen Press claims that Emporium now has more business places and is doing considerably more business than either Ridgway, St. Marys, Conderport, Elkrod or Smethport—more than any place in Elk, Potter or McKean counties except Bradford, in McKean.

Some of our "country" exchanges are of the opinion that Dr. Sprague should be confirmed as P. M. of this borough. He is a Na. t optical and M "civil service" is to be the assignment of this administration he will probably still postpone stamps for a couple of years yet. But one fact should be borne in mind, and that is, he will not condemn us in the business because of his solicitation of himself or any of his political friends.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at the office.

"Tony" Hanson, Jr., is quite ill with typhoid pneumonia.

Miss Simpson, of Wellsboro Pa., is visiting friends in this boro.

W. L. Alexander is home from Jamestown N. Y., for a short visit.

Mrs. D. R. Hamlin and Miss Emma Hamlin, are visiting Buffalo friends.

Chas. Lasher, of East Smethport, moved his family to Eldred last Monday.

E. M. Ault, of State Line, now rides on the carriage and works the lever in Bolivar Bros. mill.

Stan McCarty is fitting up his little store building in grand style and will open it before long.

Reuben McVoy, Esq., of Ellicottville N. Y., is visiting his brother Dr. W. V. McVoy of this place.

Charley Miller, of the St. James Hotel, Bradford, listened to the trials of his fellow members, in case this week.

Miss Grace Hanson returned to her studies at Oswego, N. Y., on Monday last, after a short visit home.

W. M. Smallhorn, postmaster at Lewis Run, and A. T. Fisher, Esq., of Custer City, were pleasant callers at this office on Wednesday last.

F. N. Taylor, the new and jolly head lord of the Grand Central, leaves in a few days for Nebraska to look after his landed interests in that state.

Commander J. E. Baldwin, of Post 126, Duke Center, will represent his post at the G. A. R. Encampment which will be held in Gettysburg next month.

D. C. Young and wife returned from an extended tour south on Saturday last. They report an excellent time but say their Smethport is "home" to them.

D. R. Burnham, Esq., of Eldred, the newly appointed notary of the county, came down to town on Tuesday last. Mr. B. will assume duties about June 1st.

Rev. Wilson, of the *Democrat*, has moved his family into the house lately occupied by S. McSweeney, Esq., who will make Bradford his place of abode for the future.

The countenance of our esteemed friend C. W. King was wreathed in smiles last Tuesday and on enquiring the cause of so much seeming felicity we found our it was a girl of 9 pulse weight and singing sing beauty. Yes, we smaller her ages, but don't let it occur again.

Baptist Church.

Services next Sunday as usual. The subject of the discourse in the morning will be. "The nature and evidence of love to Christ."

In the evening the first of a series of popular lectures on Joseph. Subject. "Early life in Canaan."

Young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m., led by Miss Ellen Georgia.

Preaching at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at Hamlin school house.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Services Sabbath morning at 10:30. Subject of the discourse: "The Armour of God."

Evening service at 7:30. Subject of discourse: "Who is on the Lord's side."

Fatal Accident.

On Thursday of last week James Traynor, an employee at Dullis Bros. saw mill, State Line, in some manner got caught on a revolving shaft and was so fatally injured that he died on the following Friday, leaving a wife and four children.

Smethport Choral Union.

The members of the Union will meet at the office of Hackett and Burdick this Friday evening for the purpose of completing the organization of a musical club. All parties interested in musical matters are cordially invited to attend.

By order of Com.

The Troubles.

The parties who have visited Smethport so far, for the purpose of looking up a location for a tannery, would be very glad to come here provided the citizens of our town would build them a first class establishment, buy their first years supply of bark and present them with from five to ten thousand acres of bark lands. They don't want the earth, but a big slice of it. It is suggested that they try some other locality. They better, as it will not pay to linger here.

Very Loving and Happy.

"I have bliss blood in my veins, I'll have you know," said Mrs. Crimsonbeak to her husband, as a knock-down argument to a discussion they were indulging in at table.

"I thought so," replied Crimsonbeak sarcastically.

"And why did you think so?" mocked his wife, almost knocking the plaster from the ceiling with her elevated nose.

"Because blood will tell, you know, and that's the kind you are; you can never keep anything to yourself."

Mighty Similar to Stein.

Two unknown democrats were talking over the situation the other day, and one of them was a little inclined to be self important and overbearing in his statements.

"Look a here," said his companion. "You are putting on a good many airs. Who are you, anyhow?"

"I'm nobody just now. But there's no telling what I may be before this week's out. Unknown men have great luck nowadays. I may be General-in-Chief to Timbuctoo before to morrow night."

School Entertainment.

The pupils of our public school, under the efficient management of Prof. McGowan and his corps of able assistants, will give an exhibition at the Kittredge Opera House on Monday and Tuesday evenings of next week, April 20th and 21st. The price of admission has been placed at 25 cents, reserved seats 35 cents. The funds raised will be used to warrant purchasing a library for the school. This is a commendable enterprise, and we trust the boys and girls may receive abundant encouragement in their undertaking.

A Nice Hall.

The hall in the Eaches building which is occupied by the United Workmen, the I. O. O. F., and the G. A. R. lodges has been in the hands of the carpenter, the painter and paper hanger for the past few weeks, and the result is that they now have one of the handsomest lodge rooms in this section. The hall has been completely renovated, raised platforms built along the sides, the entire floor handsomely carpeted with a neat ingrain carpet, the woodwork newly painted and varged, the wood work newly painted and the walls and ceiling decorated with a fine gilt paper. The different lodges are to be congratulated upon having such a cozy room in which to meet and the enterprise shown by the Orders is evidence of growth and prosperity. With a place like this to meet in, the attendance of each order ought to be materially increased.

SUSY BRADFORD.

Spring weather is scarce.

The man without a license petition is on foot now.

Thornton's skating rink is well patronized this spring.

J. M. Graham is about to depart for Blacksburg to enter into business there.

The Oberle Club will give another one of its parties at Orpheus hall, Friday night.

"May Blossoms," which is to appear at Wagner's Opera House, Monday evening, is spoken of very highly by the press.

John Chapman has returned from the bedside of Putney Scanlon, at San Antonio, Texas, and reports a great improvement in Scanlan's condition.

The telegraphic fever has struck many of all the boys in town, and a large number of them have wires strung between each others' houses. They seem to pick up the art quite rapidly and it is not improbable that the coming generation will consist largely of telegraph operators.

Hough's Bad Boy company, which was advertised to appear at the town this week, refused to give there after they found out the chairs in of the place, and are showing at Orpheus hall. Abode has sued them for damages before Alderman Graham, but stands a poor show of collecting any.

Mrs. Cummings, an aged woman, living on Pine street, was badly burned last Saturday evening and died yesterday from the effects of her injuries. When discovered, she was lying in a bed which was all on fire and she was rescued with difficulty, but not in time to save her from receiving terrible burns. She was a mother-in-law of W. J. McVey of this place.

Some of the young men who patronize the skating rink are talking of forming a club, who are to wear a regular rink uniform during the summer months. The uniform is to consist of a blue suit with knee pants, red stockings and cap to match. It is said to be a very popular rink costume on the cities and there is no reason why the Bradford boys should not keep up with the times.

A resident from Boston held a seance at a house in Tarport last Saturday evening and the believers in spiritualism were given a chance to see and converse with the shades of their departed friends and friends. A lawyer from Bradford, who by the way is a freethinker, said he saw no nothing, happened to get in the circle, and raised Cain among them. He was called out by the "spirit" who informed him that she was the spirit of his late wife. As the gentleman never had but one wife, and she is yet in the land of the living, he began to have very serious doubts as to the "spirit's" identity. The doubts finally got the best of him and he threw his arms around her only to discover that the "medium" her self was in his grasp. She tore herself away and rushed back into the cabinet. An attempt was made by an other gentleman to turn on the lights but it was frustrated by a young lady. A hubbub was of course raised, as the spiritualists hate to have their mediums given away in any such manner, and the cause of the trouble had to leave.

JESTER.

April 16, 1885.

MT. JEWETT ITEMS.

It is very cold yet. Will spring ever come?

A. Mellander is replenishing his stock of goods.

Ellie McMahon is doing a thriving business selling papers.

We have several young ladies who are adepts at snow balling.

We are to have a new, neat and large school house erected here soon.

James Doyle's head sawyer, William Whaley, has gone a fur on a short vacation.

Wonder where T. C. is going to preach next Sabbath? Very likely to his best girl.

Jas. Doyle is intending to remove to Buffalo soon, and T. F. McMahon is contemplating the idea of going to Mackeburg.

Our school closed last Thursday. It is expected that the same teacher, Mrs. Greville, will occupy the new school house.

Business would be very good here for a druggist, the weather being so changeable that a many only of the people have bad colds.

Mr. Jewett can boast of a fine hotel and a popular landlord. Mr. W. W. Brewer is always ready and willing to wait upon his guests.

"Spike" Smith, formerly of Bradford, the rule manufacturer, is stopping at J. Doyle's. "Spike" enjoys a good fire and takes it all in, and don't you doubt it.

ALPHA.

Mt. Jewett, Pa., April 14, 1885.

No Pay for Them.

Our townsman, ex-Sheriff Bartwell, is a candidate for Pesterfine inspector. It would be difficult to find a democrat who is better entitled to the recognition which this appointment would give. His democracy is literally "bred in the bone." But it is very doubtful about the ex-sheriff "getting there," or in fact any other candidates for that position. The P. M. General recently issued an order suspending with the services of fourteen Inspectors after the 30th of this month. The reason given for this action is that congress failed to provide sufficient pay for this branch of the service.

Fine Rifle Arsenal.

It is very seldom that a dishonest man can be found among the printing fraternity. It is, however, "whispered about town" that an occasional case of a printer who will take a glass of beer can be found. But of the disreputable, lying, whiskey-guzzling, dead-beating-it-all-the-time printers, we will match Mr. Fred. St. John, formerly of Newark, N. Y., against the entire tramps of the profession, and will bet "dollars to buttons" on his "taking the cake without having to walk for it." We are in hearty sympathy with his numerous creditors of this place, whom he left on Friday last, and it is with no pride on our part that we admit his having been employed in the Miner office for several months past.

A Course of Lectures.

Rev. F. H. Gates, pastor of the Baptist church, will begin on Sunday evening next, a course of popular lectures on Joseph, one of the most illustrious characters in Old Testament history. They will occupy ten successive Sunday evenings, and will be given in the order and entitled as follows:

1—Early life in Canaan.
2—Sold into Egypt.
3—Thrown into prison.
4—Deliverance and promotion.
5—Wise management of Egyptian affairs.
6—First visit of his brethren.
7—The second visit of his brethren, and Joseph's revelation of himself to them.
8—His father sent for.
9—Jacob before Pharaoh.
10—The end.

The public are respectfully invited to be attend!

Have and hosiery of the latest styles can be found at Mrs. Nash's.

DUTIES OF PARENTS TO THE SCHOOLS.

Address Delivered Before the Teachers's County Association at Kane, April 10th and 11th, '85, by County Superintendent M. O. Campbell.

"It is not good for man to be alone," is a statement true as it is old, and speaks a condition of our existence that is substantiated by all history and our own experience. That man is a gregarious being, no sane man however can deny. Being thus constitutionally inclined to seek the society of his fellows, man finds the necessity of preparing himself for such association. He is not a good member of society who always seeks his own weal regardless of his neighbors. In our advanced civilization he is not a good citizen who takes even all that the law allows him. A great deal of unpleasantness may exist in fact in the letter of the law. When man is brought face to face with the requirements necessary to form good companionship he finds himself to a greater or less extent inclined to seek his own happiness. A pleasant or unpleasant state of society exists in the community just in the ratio of the other of these natural characteristics prevails. As a matter of commonness constitute the state of government, so by referring back to what constitutes the community we will there find that the individual man is the principal element of the state. The position which an individual occupies and the privileges he enjoys in a state constitute citizenship. It has ever been the problem of government to furnish a citizenship to harmonize with the feelings of the individual and hold in proper check the unsocial elements of of man and give proper stimulus to that which makes him a pleasing companion.

In looking over the history of the world it is interesting to notice the efforts on the part of the rulers to furnish satisfactory governmental machinery for the ruled. For thousands of years after the creation of man the efforts at government were exercised upon the minors and very little, if any, attention was paid to the children, except those of the high er classes and they were educated to the shows that the rulers mused do the best serving and that the principal point in policy of economy was that the ignorance of the masses is the true basis of government. After ages of imperfect governments and dissatisfied people struggled to disrupt upon the world that the child is really the father of the man. Just when the children of all classes began to be instructed it is hard to determine. The Hebrews taught their children, and Solomon said "train up a child &c." Hundreds of years later Socrates established himself as the great teacher of ancient Greece. Later still the founders of civil governments established schools for the children, &c. and the just have the gospel preached to them. Yet little was done in the way of enlightening the world. Seven hundred years later we find Charlemagne establishing schools for the children of a people who were wallowing in the excesses of vice, food by ages of ignorance. Then followed a few years of light, and again ages of ignorance and darkness. Now the world has stepped out into a grand age of enlightenment based upon the principles of the Bible, and in which a totally ignorant man stands an object of pity or a target for ridicule. Continental Europe, England and the United States, present to the world the three school systems which are nothing in which the inner sentiments of humanity and stimulating and enturing the nobler elements which fits man for the society of his fellows. In continental Europe every child is compelled to attend the schools in which every manipulation is in the hands of the government. In England the schools are in the hands of the established church. But it is left to the states of America to throw into the lap of the people a school system to take and to do with it just as they please, the government only saying that schools shall exist, and this brings us to the consideration of the subject as it stands on the programme.

THE DUTIES OF PARENTS TO THE SCHOOLS.

Briefly stated, the duties parents owe to the schools are, first, to place them so the schools are, first, to place them selves in hearty accord with the school authorities, and, second, they should study education, (not technically, but as the term is commonly understood.)

The school authorities are the school law, the directors and the teacher.

Education comprehends the being to be educated and the means employed in his education. The law proceeds upon the assumption, and wisely too, that it has the right to furnish a school system to the people. It sees no argument in the matter but simply says the u shall and shall not. The assumption is based upon the theory that the safety of our republic lies only in the intelligence of the people, and right here is the duty of parents to lend hearty sympathy and see that this theory is carried out. We are the present rulers of this country, and the children are to be the next. What would we think of the king or queen of a realm who knew nothing of its history, the date of its birth, the genius and letter of its construction, its laws, its wars, and the effect those wars have had and are having upon civilization and upon the world, or knew nothing of the territory over which he was to preside? We would say at once that such a monarch was totally disqualified for the duties to be performed, and no reasoning, however logical it might be, would change our belief in the least. What shall we say then, what can we say of the voters of this country who know none of these things, and yet who hold the destinies of this nation in their hands and are by their ballots to guide the ship of state? And where is our hope for the future? We leave you to draw the inference and yet the conclusion is as irresistible in the one case as in the other. But right here lies the duty of parents to the schools in this respect, that they so manipulate their family affairs as to give their children opportunity to become intelligent, conscientious voters. But I wish to refer to some of the particular requirements of the law.

TAXES.

Now schools might exist on voluntary contribution, but the state law assumes the right to say "thou shalt pay tax." Suffice it to say at once without further preliminary, that there is a great deal of talk of the injustice and exorbitance of such tax, and this talk goes a great way towards making schools inefficient. How? Why, by intimidating directors from levying sufficient tax to build houses of the right kind and furnish them with proper appliances. I want to say to all that I never urged upon a board of directors the necessity of a better condition of affairs, that I was not told. "There is so much grumbling about tax, we don't feel that we dare levy more." How a square house with four bare walls and about three square yards of blackboard, and seats, are not enough to warrant a good school, and yet this is what many have. After a proper house is furnished a good school requires many things for the use of the teacher. A library of reference books, dictionary, maps globe, charts, blackboard around the entire room, with many other things for the convenience of the teacher and pupils. Most of the interest lacking in many schools grows out of the fact that there is nothing to interest with. Besides entering poorly equipped houses this complaint against taxes debars superior teachers and causes frequent changes. Teachers of superior ability will not apply for low wages. Now this is not talk but is a fact, and those who do apply ought do much better work than they do if they intended to stay more than one term. The duties of parents is to remedy these defects by not only not opposing the law in this particular, but to urge upon the directors a better condition of affairs. It is very frequently a hard matter to find anybody before election who wants to be a director but immediately after election, everybody is willing to serve. "This thing is wrong, that thing is wrong," the people say, and nothing is right as they think. Directors are human, and like other people, like to have the good will of their neighbors. By this general, pointless faultfinding their own better judgment is often overruled. The law makes it one of the duties of directors to select a series of books. After this is done, it becomes the duty of parents for the good of the schools, to see that their children have sufficient work to keep them busy. Those who have never studied the matter, little know the draw-back it is to a school to have pupils therein who have not sufficient books. In the classification of a school all pupils of a grade belong together. Now suppose a class are ready to enter arithmetic, grammar and geography, and one pupil refuses to get, we will say for argument, a grammar. All teachers know, and others can easily see how that one will either play while the rest are studying grammar, or he will study the other books and get ahead of the class. Dogmatism you do not want your pupil to study grammar? Well, that may be your right as a parent, but I want to say to you that when your child becomes a man he has the right to know English grammar. He may want to be a scholar. Education is almost if not altogether every American's birth right; and while you may under the law claim the right to say he can't study, so can you, your man to be your boy can step up by you and in the right of his future citizenship claim instruction in all the elements necessary to a good education. Hence I claim it as one of parents duties to the schools to furnish necessary books for pupils. Next, parents owe a duty to the schools in acknowledging the teacher as the executive officer in the school. Now I want to say that the teacher must have his way in the school if it is to be a success. But I must not argue that the teacher is to have his way in all schools by hook dealing as most teachers do in any other way and there is none of it. I am not a superintendent, know of it. I assure my parents over the schools to visit the schools, and then if there is fault to be found, complain to the directors, or the law directs. On the other hand it is the parents duty to the schools not to submit to a poor teacher, and there is no need in doing so for the law is plain in that line. I did think that I would pass the superintendent by as one of the school authorities, but here is one thing I want to say, which is, that parents owe a duty to the schools by being careful that their children do not appear before the superintendent as teachers before they are qualified, as it may save him some embarrassment and the applicant some humiliation. But should an applicant not be quite up to the standard the friends of the disappointee (who are no doubt parents) should a quiesce in his judgment because it is a duty they owe the schools. The second point is: Education includes the being to be educated and the means employed in his education. The being to be educated some other than the child, and it is the embryo of the man "who is fearfully and wonderfully made." Fearfully, because he is to be held accountable for his acts and is to occupy a future state which shall be tempered by these acts, and wonderfully, because he is a trune being, physical, intellectual and moral. When we consider the constitution of the child, no one will deny that the teacher ought to understand the mechanism. But I undertake to say that The duties parents owe to the schools is to understand the child also, because the work of education can not be carried on under certain rules that give results with mathematical precision, but the teacher must apply certain principles and they are expected to produce certain results. What these principles an l results are, depends on the methods of the teacher, and his methods are tempered to a greater or less extent by his knowledge of the child. Now criticism is one of the easiest things in the world, and may be just or unjust. It will be just if the person who makes it knows the constitution of the child, and also knows that the teacher's methods do or do not conform to that constitution. And it may, and doubtless will be very unjust, unless he does know these things. As well might you criticise a surgical operation performed by a skilled physician when you do not understand the human system, not know the name of the instruments with which he performed the operation. But, finally, the mind of the individual is the part brought into action in the getting of an education, and in order to have it well done, no one will deny that the teacher should understand the mind and its mode of operation, and it is a duty the parents owe the schools to know something of the same in order to judge whether or not the work is well done. For how, I would like to ask, is a parent to judge of the work done on his child when he is ignorant of the mind and its operations? As well might I dictate to Edison his method of constructing a telephone, when I know nothing about the mechanism of a transmitter.

Literary Notes.

An article of very great interest to every farmer is promised for the May number of *Harper's Magazine*, on "Jersey Cattle in America," by Hark Comstock. Portraits are given, from direct photographs, of a number of the most notable butter-producing cows of this stock, one of which, "Alphea," owned by Col. R. M. Hoe, produced under unforced tests over twenty-nine pounds of butter a week; while her granddaughter, "Eurotas," owned by Mr. A. B. Darling, produced seven hundred and seventy-eight pounds of butter in eleven months and five days. The writer, who is one of the best authorities on this subject, gives an interesting sketch of the means taken in the Channel Islands to keep the breed pure, the laws having for a hundred years excluded all foreign cattle except such as were imported for meat, which had to be slaughtered at the port of arrival; and has remarks on the present state of the stock and its prices in this country and of practical value.

—At heretofore particular attention will be given to our millinery department, as I have made arrangements by which I will receive goods in time for every few days, and be constantly started on all the leading styles in hats and bonnets.

MRS. NASH.

WAS IT SUICIDE OR MURDER?

Ephriam Baker Found Dying on his Bed Under Circumstances Which Warrant a Thorough Examination—The Inquest being held To-day.

Shortly after noon on Tuesday last the report was circulated on our streets that Ephriam Baker, who resided on Open Brook, about five miles from this place, had committed suicide. Doctors McCoy and Brown were summoned but before they reached his house he was beyond all human aid. The facts as near as we can find out at the present writing, are as follows: Baker was a farmer in comfortable circumstances, aged about 40 years. On Monday afternoon he was in town with his team, and as was his usual habit, became somewhat intoxicated before going home. He arrived home safely and took care of his stock. Then he hitched up his team and started out towards town again. This is all that can be learned of his movements till the next forenoon, when a neighbor of his found his team in the fields, one of the horses dead and the other with his legs broken. The neighbor notified Baker that his team was up there and Baker seemed to have no recollection of any accident happening to either him or the team. He went up and looked at the team, returned home and went to his room. In a few minutes he was found in a dying condition. It is claimed that he took a shotgun and placing the muzzle at his abdomen in some manner, discharged it. Some claim this would be impossible, and say there is foul play. An inquest is being held to-day and the following coroner's jury is empannelled: Col. A. I. Wilcox, J. R. Chadwick, E. L. Keenan, S. Gorton, C. S. King and Wm. Haskill. Drs. Brown and McCoy will hold the post-mortem examination. What the verdict will be is uncertain, there are so many conflicting reports, but the facts given above seem to be the accepted story.

No May Terms.

Sheriff A. F. Bannon wishes us to state that the jury drawn for the second Monday of May will be notified that their services will not be required. The reason for withdrawing this jury is that the supreme court for this district will be in session that week and many of the attorneys will be engaged there.

—A Wisconsin man recommends as a cure for potato bugs to plant one or two flax seeds in each hill of potatoes. He says the bugs will shun it every time. and for ten years he has been very successful in growing potatoes.

MARRIED.

GOODRICH—FALK—At the residence of the bride's father, in Lafayette, Pa., on April 15th, 1885, by Rev. H. Gallitz, Rev. Emil Goodrich, of Farrell, to Sarah E. Falk, both of Norwich township.

WILCOX—DAVIS—At David Davis's on April 15th, by Rev. W. Bradley, James S. Wilcox, of Smethport, Lieutenant-Governor, Pa., and Emma J. Davis, of Keating.

To Housekeepers.

Now that house furnishing time has come, we want to impress you with the fact of the many advantages to be obtained at our store. Whether buys large or small. Our goods are largely bought of manufacturers and importers. It is in the business of buying that we are able to sell to your advantage. If you are thinking of Wall Papers, they are here, as great a variety as you could wish for; in the newest things at thirty-five cents a roll. You will pay forty and fifty cents for same papers, in fact some paper more gay, we are not selling at that price. Over one hundred styles. If impossible to come here for them send card to us for samples, or for our sample books. Carpets of every description, in only the best makes at lower prices than usual. Suits of parlor furniture of six and seven pieces. Any style of covering you may wish, made by us and warranted first class in every respect at moderate prices. Everything here is what it is sold for and will refund the money when not represented. Nothing misrepresented. Never bur one price. Goods marked in plain figures. 16 26

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I have at my livery and sales stables on Water street, Smethport, Pa., twenty good horses for sale. Good drivers, heavy draughts, and all kinds of good, sound horses. Prices reasonable.

A. T. PALMER.
14-13.

A Flock of Sheep for Sale.

The subscriber wishes to dispose of a Fine Flock of Sheep consisting of about 40 head with lambs. Terms to suit the purchaser. Inquire of

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Smethport, Pa., April 1, 1885. 14-tf.

Attention Farmers!

I have on hand a car-load of fresh Clover and Timothy seed which I will sell at the very lowest living prices.

W. D. GALLUP.
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Smethport, April 3d, '85.

H. W. RUBIN this week places on sale a fine stock of new spring hats, the latest style, also gent's furnishing goods, all new styles and of a fine variety.

For Rent.

The Hotel Building located at Hamlin Station on the B. N. Y. & P. R. R. (Clermont Branch.) Building in good locality and excellent repair. Also a Blacksmith Shop for rent at same place, with good set of tools. Terms reasonable. Enquire of

Mrs. JOHN DIGEL,
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12-tf.

H. C. WELLS sells the finest cigars in town, try them.

FARMERS, ATTENTION!—All kinds of condition powders for cattle, horses and sheep; at the lowest prices, at H. C. Wells' drug store.

When Baby was sick, we gave her CASTORIA
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A FULL line of patent medicines at H. C. Wells' drug store, Main St.

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Tonic Laxative Horse Powders, the only guaranteed purely vegetable powder in the market, put up in tin cans. Price 35 cts. Sold by H. C. Wells.

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ALL kinds of smoking and chewing tobacco at H. C. Wells'.

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The strength of Rome lay not in her multitude nor in her grain-laden fleets. These were elements of strength, but her accomplishments lay in the discipline and discipline of Roman soldiers. Discipline—it is the very soul to all the wonderful meaning possessed by the word "express." Mr. Bigelow, of Troy, is a veteran in the express business. "Thirty-three years," he said to your reporter, "I've stood at this desk." It is the discipline of years of experience which gives him the position he holds in the trust and affections of those three great corporations. "We cater to three times $500,000 a year, and I've been here a business day a month in all that time, although I must confess that many times I've worked here when suffering great pain, for I have been troubled all my life with biliousness and dyspepsia. My system had become so run down and weak that I had no appetite, and my digestion wholly disordered. I've tried various remedies, but almost two years ago I happened to hit upon Dr. Kennedy's FAVORITE REMEDY. After using only one bottle or so I began to feel stronger in every way. The great difficulty has been with my digestion, but this seems to regulate it perfectly. I have, as a great faith in Dr. Kennedy's FAVORITE REMEDY. I, in fact, have given a great deal to the poor around here; those, you know, who have no money to buy medicine of any kind, but there are many troubled with billious diseases and suffer as without aid. I always keep FAVORITE REMEDY in the house. I consider it the best remedy for the blood in the market. Well, I must attend to this matter for the west-ern part of the city. Say, you call at the Doctors and tell him coming down to Rondout to see him in June. I want to know him." I left the veteran, in his prime, rejoicing in health and grateful to Dr. Kennedy.

LEGAL.

Financial Statement

of the several funds in and for the borough of Smethport for the year 1884:

A. C. Hamlin and A. D. Burbank, Overseers of Poor, in account with Poor Fund:

	Cr.	Dr.
To cash from late Poor overseer Kerns		$ 221 32
To " " Stark		44 16
" rent		144 72
To cash from late Poor overseer Hamlin		221 32
To duplicate for 1884		292 00
		$723 52
By exonerations duplicate '84	$ 87	
By Collector A. D. Burbank fees on $547 62 at 5 per cent.	27 35	
By paid Justices Smith & Ford costs relief cases	19 90	
By paid L. V. Valentine board-ing Hines	10 28	
By paid Mary Connolly boarding Hines	20 00	
By paid R. Hussey boarding Lat-timer and another	19 75	
By clothes, provisions, for pau-pers	85 25	
By wood for paupers	10 25	
By paid physicians, druggists	8 55	
By paid cemetery association and digging two graves	6 00	
By paid keeping tramps	24 00	
By paid for burying sick	21 00	
By paid for oil cutting	9 50	
By paid Hines' expenses		
By paid Auditors' fees and print-ing report	9 50	
By paid overseers of the poor Hamlin for 1882-3-4	55 00	
By paid overseers of the poor Bur-bank for 1883-4	50 00	
By amount in hands of overseer Hamlin	276 32	
	$920 68	$920 68

RESOURCES.

Due from Collector Burlingame	24 21
Am't with overseer J. C. Hamlin	276 32
	$300 53

LIABILITIES.

	Dr.
Nothing.	
W. D. Gallup, Treasurer, in account with Borough funds for 1884.	
To am't duplicate boro. rents	535 16
To " " water & mills	343 35
To " " bond & mills	550 36
To " " dog tax	67 00
To " " receipt from Treasurer Gorton	27 17
	1963 04

	Cr.	
By orders paid and cancelled (Road)	$64 00	
By orders paid and cancelled (Water)	399 00	
By bonds and coupons paid and cancelled interest	484 00	
By discount on $1292 30 at 5 per cent	64 61	
By treasurers' com. on $1787 at 2 per cent	35 75	
	24 87	
By am't due the fund	1963 04	1963 04

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders		26 00
" coupons		24 00
		50 00
RESOURCES.		
Am't in hands of treasurer	24 87	
Liabilities over assets	25 13	
	50 00	50 00

JOHN FORREST, T. C. RICHMOND, W. Z. GEORGIA, } Aud'rs.

Smethport, Pa., April 3d, 1885.—3t.

Auditor's Report

Of Road and Poor funds of Keating township, for the year 1884:

J. A. McKean, Supervisor, in account with ROAD FUND.

	Dr.
To orders of county commissioners	$ 1560 00
To amount of bond fund	2000 00
To sealed duplicate of 1884	1767 23
To amount transferred from duplicate of W. A. Young	72 10
	$5399 33

	Cr.
By amount of work on road as per receipts	$1513 99
By bad days services, his man and team, at $4 per day	744 00
By Fisher's services as supervisor	127 00
By amount of taxes worked out	783 83
By exonerations on seated duplicate of 1884	115 75
By taxes transferred to duplicate of W. A. Young	99 01
By amount of taxes worked in '84 on duplicate of '83, charged to him at last settlement	62 05
By amount due at last auditors' report	354 00
By expenses of collecting duplicate	22 80
	5601 13
Bal. due Supervisor J. A. McKean	721 80
W. A. Young, Supervisor in account with ROAD FUND.	Dr.
To seated duplicate of 1884	1725 97
To orders of county commissioners	1866 33
To bond fund of 1884	500 00
To amount transferred from McKean's duplicate	89 11
	4181 90

	Cr.	
By discount on orders	167 00	
By amount of money paid as per receipts	1405 10	
By C. C. Melvin over-draft of for-mer supervisors	221 03	
By paid interest on bonds	75 00	
By 213 days services as supervisor	213 00	
By his man and team	745 00	
By lumber, stationary, stamps and plow	35 65	
By taxes worked out on road	1106 85	
By exonerations on duplicate of 1884	64 64	
By transferred to duplicate of J. A. McKean	72 10	
By expenses of collecting	23 35	
By commission on $2307 73 at 2 per cent	57 46	
	4217 86	
Bal. due Supervisor W. A. Young		55 65
Outstanding accounts		776 65
bonds of 1884		2500 00
Total indebtedness of road fund		3276 65

We, the undersigned Auditors of Keating township, having examined the above

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[San Francisco Argonaut.]

Under the bath house on main F street, that bursts out of the ground just back of the Baldwin, and from which the steam rises in clouds, there is a large tank of sulphur and iron water. All the diseases known to the human race are supposed to be cured by the waters of this tank. Every time a wagon load of people arrives at the bath house the driver tells the story of the tank, and how it was discovered by a Spanish priest, who, while hunting for gold, found instead a spring of water which healed his wounds. Then the driver tells how the priest built a mission over the spring, and how the Indians came from all parts of the country to bathe in the water, and how the priest, after he had died, was canonized as a saint. Then the driver tells how the Indians left the country, and how the mission fell into decay, and how the water was forgotten, and how it was rediscovered by the Americans, and how it was made into a bath house, and how it is now visited by thousands of people every year. Then the driver tells how the water is good for rheumatism, and for kidney troubles, and for nervousness, and for a thousand and one other ailments, and how it is especially good for drunkenness, and how it will cure a man of the drink habit in a few days. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the complexion, and how it will make the hair grow on bald heads, and how it will restore gray hair to its natural color, and how it will make a man live forever. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the soul, and how it will wash away the sins of the past, and how it will make a man pure and holy. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the pocket, and how it will make a man rich, and how it will bring him fame and fortune. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the stomach, and how it will make a man eat and digest his food, and how it will make a man strong and healthy. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the liver, and how it will make a man cheerful and happy. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the brain, and how it will make a man wise and learned. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the heart, and how it will make a man love his fellow men. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the lungs, and how it will make a man breathe deeply and freely. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the blood, and how it will make a man's veins run with new life. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the bones, and how it will make a man's joints supple and limber. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the muscles, and how it will make a man's arms and legs strong and powerful. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the nerves, and how it will make a man's head clear and his eyes bright. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the whole body, and how it will make a man feel like a new creature. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the soul, and how it will make a man love his neighbor as himself. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the world, and how it will make a man love his country. Then the driver tells how the water is good for the universe, and how it will make a man love God. Then the driver tells how the water is good for nothing, and how it will make a man a fool. Then the driver tells how the water is good for everything, and how it will make a man a saint